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WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOLS  
Springfield, Kentucky  
**CONTRACT RE-EMPLOYING SUPERINTENDENT**

This CONTRACT, made and entered into this 18<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013, by and between the BOARD OF EDUCATION OF WASHINGTON COUNTY (hereinafter "BOARD"), and J. ROBIN COCHRAN (hereinafter "SUPERINTENDENT"), and authorized by action at a lawful meeting of the BOARD held on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.

**WITNESSETH:**

NOW, THEREFORE, the BOARD and the SUPERINTENDENT, for the consideration herein specified, agree as follows:

IT IS AGREED:

1. **TERM OF EMPLOYMENT**

The SUPERINTENDENT is hereby re-hired for a term commencing on July 1, 2013, to June 30, 2017, as Superintendent for the Washington County Schools, Springfield, Kentucky. The "Evergreen Clause" provision set out in KRS 160.350(4) shall apply to this CONTRACT such that the CONTRACT may annually be extended for one (1) additional year provided the BOARD takes such action by motion prior to June 30 of that year.

2. **CERTIFICATE**

The SUPERINTENDENT shall retain at all times during the term of this CONTRACT, a valid and appropriate certificate to act as Superintendent in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and as directed by the BOARD, and comply with KRS 160.350 and the Professional Code of Ethics for Kentucky school certified personnel as enacted by the Education Professional Standards Board.

3. **DUTIES**

The SUPERINTENDENT shall have charge of the administration of the schools under the direction of the BOARD. The SUPERINTENDENT shall be chief executive officer of the BOARD; shall be responsible for implementation of BOARD policies; shall organize, reorganize, and arrange the administrative and supervisory staff, including instruction and business affairs, as best serve the School District; shall from time to time suggest policies and procedures deemed necessary for the well ordering of the School District, and in general perform all duties that are by law incident to the office of the SUPERINTENDENT and such other duties as may be prescribed by the BOARD from time to time. No policy or bylaw of the BOARD shall diminish the SUPERINTENDENT's legitimate power or authority as prescribed by the applicable laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Moreover, all duties assigned to the SUPERINTENDENT by the BOARD shall be appropriate to and consistent with the professional role and responsibility of the SUPERINTENDENT. The BOARD, individually

  
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and collectively, shall promptly refer all criticisms, complaints, and suggestions called to its attention to the SUPERINTENDENT for study, recommendation, or appropriate action. The SUPERINTENDENT shall attend all BOARD meetings and all BOARD committee meetings unless excused for just cause or as otherwise permitted or made necessary as a matter of law.

4. **PROFESSIONAL GROWTH OF SUPERINTENDENT**

The BOARD encourages the continuing professional growth of the SUPERINTENDENT through:

- A. the operations, programs, and other activities conducted or sponsored by local, state, and national school administrator and school board associations;
- B. seminars and courses offered by public or private educational institutions; and
- C. information meetings with other persons whose particular skills or backgrounds would serve to improve the capacity of the SUPERINTENDENT to perform her professional responsibilities for the School District.

In its encouragement, the BOARD shall permit a reasonable amount of release time for the SUPERINTENDENT to attend to such matters as set out above and shall pay for the necessary fees for travel and subsistence expenses or any other reasonable expenses that are incurred by the SUPERINTENDENT related to such professional growth activities.

5. **COMPENSATION**

The salary for serving as SUPERINTENDENT shall be not less than One Hundred Nine Thousand Two Hundred Forty-nine Dollars and Twenty-five Cents (\$109,249.25) per school year. The salary shall be paid in bi-monthly installments on the same dates administrators who work twelve (12) months are paid.

The BOARD, based upon its evaluation of the SUPERINTENDENT, may adjust the salary of the SUPERINTENDENT during the term of this CONTRACT, provided that in no event shall the SUPERINTENDENT be paid less than the salary specified above. Any such adjustment of salary made during the term of this CONTRACT shall be in the form of an amendment to this CONTRACT. Any said adjustment shall become part of this CONTRACT, but it shall not be deemed that the BOARD and the SUPERINTENDENT have entered into a new CONTRACT, nor shall it be deemed that the termination date of the existing CONTRACT has been extended. Although the SUPERINTENDENT's salary may be increased at the discretion of the BOARD, nevertheless, this provision shall not be construed as an expectation by the SUPERINTENDENT that any such increase will occur. Nevertheless, and in any event, irrespective of any merit based adjustment in the salary during the term of this CONTRACT, the SUPERINTENDENT shall receive an increase each year of this CONTRACT including the first year of the term of this CONTRACT by an amount at least equal to the greatest percentage increase received by any certified employee on any one rank and step of the district salary schedule.

  
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The BOARD shall evaluate and assess in writing the performance of the SUPERINTENDENT consistent with the present provisions of KRS 156.557 and any future amendment relating to the evaluation of a superintendent during the term of this CONTRACT, including any extension pursuant to the Evergreen Clause referenced hereinabove. This evaluation and assessment shall be reasonably related to the position description of SUPERINTENDENT and the goals and objectives of the School District for the period in question. The SUPERINTENDENT shall submit to the BOARD a recommended format for this written evaluation and assessment. The BOARD shall meet and discuss the evaluation format with the SUPERINTENDENT, attempting in good faith to agree on the development and adoption of a mutually agreeable evaluation format. The BOARD and the SUPERINTENDENT shall meet in closed executive session for the purpose of mutual evaluation of the performance of the BOARD and SUPERINTENDENT, prior to any public disclosure of the final evaluation.

6. **WORKING DAYS AND BENEFITS**

- A. It is understood and agreed that each school year, from July 1 through June 30 during the term of this CONTRACT and any extension thereof, shall consist of two hundred forty (240) working days leaving twenty (20) noncontract days each school year. If the SUPERINTENDENT elects to be away from the job for ten (10) or more working days consecutively or for more than fifteen (15) working days in any school month, this shall be subject to BOARD approval.
- B. The SUPERINTENDENT shall be entitled to all of the benefits applicable to twelve (12) month administrative employees as are incident to their employment relationship with the Washington County Schools, including, but not limited to, emergency leave, leave for jury duty, personal leave, and sick leave, benefits under the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System, and other administrative certified employee benefits as provided for in board policy. All unused days given for illness, bereavement, personal or emergency, shall accumulate without limit, and shall be considered sick leave, subject to all board policies that apply to sick leave for other personnel. In addition, the BOARD shall reimburse up to Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) the employee contribution of the SUPERINTENDENT to the Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System (KTRS) each school/fiscal year of the term of this CONTRACT, including any extensions by the exercise of the Evergreen Clause set out hereinabove, until the termination of this CONTRACT.
- C. The BOARD, at its expense, shall provide enhanced/optimal family health insurance plan to the SUPERINTENDENT from the insurance options available to employees of the district.

  
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- D. The BOARD recognizes the mutual benefits derived by the SUPERINTENDENT and the BOARD of the SUPERINTENDENT's membership in certain professional and/or civic organizations. The BOARD shall pay per fiscal year for membership dues for the SUPERINTENDENT in not more than three (3) professional associations/organizations, as well as not more than two (2) local civic related organizations.
- E. The BOARD shall pay the SUPERINTENDENT for intra-school district related travel a transportation allowance of Six Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$650.00) per month during the term of this CONTRACT and any extension thereof. For use of the SUPERINTENDENT'S personal vehicle for travel required or necessary outside Washington County associated with the performance of duties as superintendent, the BOARD will reimburse the SUPERINTENDENT at the mileage rate consistent with Board policy.
- F. The SUPERINTENDENT shall be entitled to five (5) days of paid vacation each school year, which shall become available at the commencement of each fiscal year, and which shall be exclusive of legal holidays and other days not considered working days pursuant to the school calendar adopted by the BOARD, to be used at the discretion of the SUPERINTENDENT. Annual vacation shall accrue and the SUPERINTENDENT shall be compensated at the then current value for each unused vacation day accrued at the time of retirement, separation, or termination of employment per Board policy.

7. **OUTSIDE EXPENSES**

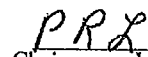
The SUPERINTENDENT may, with the express consent of the BOARD, serve as a consultant to other districts or educational agencies, or engage in writing and speaking activities, so long as such activities do not interfere with the SUPERINTENDENT's duties to this School District and are of short duration.

If the SUPERINTENDENT is compensated for outside activities by an agency other than this BOARD, the time involved for such functions will be used as her leave pursuant to an appropriate Board policy, or as the use of an accumulated vacation day, if she does not then have appropriate leave time available, and this BOARD will not otherwise pay the SUPERINTENDENT's salary or expenses for the activity.

8. **PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY**

The BOARD agrees the SUPERINTENDENT shall be a covered insured, in her official and individual capacity, under any and all liability insurance policies or insurance trust programs in which the School District is a participant, as to any and all demands, claims, suits, actions and legal proceedings brought against the SUPERINTENDENT, provided the incident arose while the SUPERINTENDENT was acting within the scope of her employment and excluding criminal litigation and intentional acts, to the extent liability coverage is within the authority of the BOARD to provide under State and Federal law.

  
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9. **NOTICE**  
Any notice or communication permitted or required under this CONTRACT shall be in writing and shall become effective on the day of mailing thereof by first class mail, registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed:

If to the BOARD, address to:  
Chairman, Board of Education  
Washington County Schools  
120 Mackville Hill  
Springfield, KY 40069

If to the SUPERINTENDENT, address to:  
Superintendent  
Washington County Schools  
120 Mackville Hill  
Springfield, KY 40069

10. **TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT**  
This CONTRACT may be terminated as per the Board's policy and under State statutory law and pertinent case decisions and shall also include the following:
- a. By expiration of its term with any extension thereof;
  - b. Mutual agreement of the parties;
  - c. Discharge for cause pursuant to KRS 160.350;
  - d. Retirement of the SUPERINTENDENT.

11. **SAVINGS CLAUSE**  
If, during the term of this CONTRACT, including any extensions thereof, it is found that a specific clause of the CONTRACT is illegal under State or Federal law, the remainder of the CONTRACT not affected by such a ruling shall remain in force.

12. **MISCELLANEOUS**  
This CONTRACT has been executed in Kentucky, and shall be governed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky in every respect.

Paragraph headings have been inserted for convenience or reference only, and if there shall be any conflict between any such headings and the text of this CONTRACT, the text shall control.

This CONTRACT shall be executed in duplicate originals.

This CONTRACT contains all of the terms agreed upon by the parties with respect to the subject matter of this CONTRACT and supersedes all prior agreements, arrangements and communications between the parties concerning such subject matter, whether oral or written.

  
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IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, the BOARD and the SUPERINTENDENT have caused this CONTRACT to be executed in their respective names, and in the case of the BOARD, by its Chairperson, on the day and year first above written.

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF WASHINGTON  
COUNTY

BY: Patsy R. Lester  
CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:  
J. Robin Cochran  
SECRETARY

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY )  
COUNTY OF Washington ) Sect.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Patsy Lester, Chairperson, Board of Education of Washington County on this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.

My Commission expires: April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

Dawn Renee Crooksey  
NOTARY PUBLIC

J. Robin Cochran  
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SUPERINTENDENT

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY )  
COUNTY OF Washington ) Sect.

2013. Subscribed and sworn to before me by J. Robin Cochran on this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of June

My Commission expires: April 7, 2015.

Dawn Renee Crooksey  
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- Bd. #12-172** – Upon motion by Pat Clements and seconded by Curtis Hamilton, the board approved by a vote of 4-0, Service Agreement with Mid-America Administrative & Retirement Solutions Inc., to administer a 457 plan sign in 2001.
- Bd. #12-173** – Upon motion by Nora Hatton and seconded by Pat Clements, the board approved by a vote of 4-0, School Facilities Construction Commission Offer of Assistance for Technology in the amount of \$16,683.
- Bd. #12-174** – Upon motion by Curtis Hamilton and seconded by Nora Hatton, the board approved by a vote of 4-0, Fundraising Activities Proposal for North Washington Elementary School with School Store.com and its representative, Ms. Tara Johnson, to raise funds for ongoing school projects.
- Bd. #12-175** – Upon motion by Pat Clements and seconded by Curtis Hamilton, the board approved by a vote of 4-0, WCHS Baseball Team and its sponsor Derek Schuler to travel to Cincinnati, Ohio to attend and participate in Baseball Competition from April 1, 2013 – April 4, 2013. Approximately 25 students, 3 faculty sponsors, and 3 chaperones will be in attendance.
- Bd. #12-176** – Upon motion by Pat Clements and seconded by Curtis Hamilton, the Board approved by a vote of 4-0, Spyglass Snapshot Audit Agreement between Washington County Schools and the Spyglass Group Inc. to analyze primary telecommunications service accounts to seek cost recovery, service elimination and cost reduction recommendations as presented.
- Bd. #12-177** – Upon motion by Pat Clements and seconded by Nora Hatton, the board approved by a vote of 4-0, permission for participation and support for Superintendent Robin Cochran to enroll in the Doctoral in Educational Leadership program at Northern Kentucky University as follows:

Educational expense - The Board believes that the continued enhancement of the leadership skills of the Superintendent will contribute positively to the operation of the school district and to student achievement in the district. Therefore, the Board shall pay on behalf of the Superintendent the cost of tuition, fees, books and instructional materials, and other routine and necessary expenses associated with the Superintendent's enrollment in the doctoral program offered by the Northern Kentucky University, to obtain a Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership. Absent compelling exigent circumstances, should the Superintendent fail to complete the program, or leave employment in the district prior to completing the program he/she shall reimburse the Board costs incurred up to that point. Should the Superintendent leave the district (by choice), once the doctorate is complete, prior to June 30, 2016, he/she will

reimburse the district 50% of the tuition costs.

**Bd. #12-178** – Upon motion by Pat Clements and seconded by Curtis Hamilton the board approved by a vote of 4-0, final BG-4 for the following vendors with the construction project #12-032 for the New Washington County High School.

- Brandywine Explosives & Supply Inc. (PO 104008)
- Cedar Quarry, LLC (PO 104012)
- MMI of Kentucky (PO104024)

**Bd. #12-179** – Upon motion by Nora Hatton and seconded by Curtis Hamilton, the board approved by a vote of 4-0, furniture donation from Lexmark in Lexington, Kentucky.

**The Board was notified of the following personnel actions:**

**Personnel Actions:**

**Certified Employment**

Terry Colon – Substitute Teacher  
Tammy Holmberg – Substitute Teacher  
Trisha Kimes – Substitute Teacher  
Sherri Cheser – Substitute Teacher  
Stephanie Ennis – Substitute Teacher  
Adam Stevenson – Substitute Teacher  
Jill Duckworth – Substitute Teacher  
George Cal Adams – Substitute Teacher  
Beverly Lee – Substitute Teacher  
Peggy Peach – Substitute Teacher  
Nancy Goodwin – Substitute Teacher  
Teresa King – Substitute Teacher  
Barbara Best – Substitute Teacher  
Suzanne Mattingly – Substitute Teacher  
Heather Reynolds – Substitute Teacher  
Misty Kehm – Substitute Teacher  
Lindsey Beaven – Substitute Teacher  
Lisa Hess – Substitute Teacher  
Tara Burkhead – Substitute Teacher  
Renee Pluess – Substitute Teacher  
Bernard Smalley – Substitute Teacher  
Julia Batts – Substitute Teacher  
Susan Newton – Substitute Intervention Teacher (NWES)



**ADDENDUM TO CONTRACT  
RE-EMPLOYING SUPERINTENDENT**

This Addendum to Contract Re-Employing Superintendent, by and between the Board of Education of Washington County, Kentucky ("Board"), and J. Robin Cochran, Superintendent ("Superintendent"), made and entered into this the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014, pursuant to, *inter alia*, KRS 160.350(4), commonly referred to as the "Evergreen Clause."

**WITNESSETH:**

WHEREAS, the parties entered into a contract of employment for an initial term commencing September 14, 2009, to June 30, 2013, and this contract was fulfilled, thereby satisfying the completion of the Superintendent's first contract and service of four (4) years in the office of Superintendent;

WHEREAS, the parties entered into a contract of employment dated 6/18, 2013, whereby the Board employed and appointed J. Robin Cochran to continue as Superintendent of the Washington County Schools for a term of July 1, 2013, to June 30, 2017;

WHEREAS, the Board took action upon motion and vote at a meeting on May 19, 2014, to extend the term of the Contract as Superintendent for one (1) fiscal year pursuant to KRS 160.350(4), such that the term of the Contract as Superintendent is now scheduled to expire on June 30, 2018 with record facts existing to support this action;

WHEREAS, the Board and the Superintendent agree and have been advised that the authority granted by KRS 160.350(4) may be exercised each successive year of a superintendent's term after the passing of the statutory prerequisites articulated therein, and that the exercise of such authority extends the then-current term by one (1) additional year, rather than bringing into existence a new term of one (1) year to run at the conclusion of the then-current term. In the event KRS 160.350 is judicially interpreted differently than this mutual understanding of the parties, a reformation of the contract will be appropriate to reflect the mutual intent of the Board and the Superintendent.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the action of the Board as above detailed, the Board and Superintendent agree as follows:

1. Paragraph 1 of the Contract as Superintendent entered into on 6/18/13, is hereby further amended such that the term of employment and appointment as superintendent shall now expire on June 30, 2018.

Supt. initials JRC

Date 6/30/14

Chair initials PRX

Date 6/30/14

2. Other than as set forth and amended in ¶1 above, the parties agree to in all respects be bound by the Contract as Superintendent dated 6/18/, 2013, and state that Contract is in full force and effect with the salary being as last reflected in minutes of a duly held meeting of the Board incorporated and to be incorporated in the future by specific reference as if set out in full.

3. If, during the term of the Contract Re-Employing Superintendent, as extended, it is found that a specific provision is illegal under State or Federal law, the remainder of the Contract as Superintendent not affected shall be enforced.

4. This Addendum shall be executed in duplicate originals.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, the Board and Superintendent have caused this Addendum to be executed in their respective names, and in the case of the Board, by its Chairperson, on the day and year first above written.

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OF WASHINGTON COUNTY

ATTEST:

BY: Patsy R. Lester  
Chairperson

J. Robert Loh  
Board Secretary

6/30/2014  
Date

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY )  
COUNTY OF Washington )Sct.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Patsy Lester, Chairperson, on this the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014.

My Commission expires: July 29, 2017.

Justin B. Spalding  
NOTARY PUBLIC

SUPERINTENDENT

J. Robin Cochran  
J. Robin Cochran  
6/30/14  
Date

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY     )  
COUNTY OF Washington     )Sct.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by J. Robin Cochran on this the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014.

My Commission expires: July 29, 2017  
Matthew B. Spalding  
NOTARY PUBLIC